Lecture 21

A. Crossing the threshold

B. Variable-phase stroboscopic model

Bouncing droplet dynamics above the Faraday threshold

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Molacek & Bush, 2013





• can tune the relative magnitudes of the self-induced and ambient wave fields

20 cS, 80 Hz



Droplet behavior above threshold





Zig-zaging

- rectilinear walking state weakly perturbed by ambient wave field
- drops zig-zag along troughs of the square Faraday wave field

Droplet behavior above threshold



Meandering

- rectilinear walking state weakly perturbed by ambient wave field
- drop changes direction on a time scale long relative to the Faraday period



Droplet behavior above threshold



Chaotic bouncing

- droplet motion strongly perturbed by ambient wave field
- erratic changes in direction on the Faraday/bouncing period



Diffusion in the chaotic regime



Diffusion in the chaotic regime



Classical diffusion in the chaotic regime



- Brownian process: mean-squared displacement scales with time t
- diffusivity D generally decreases with drop size, increases with memory

Droplet behavior above threshold



Wave-induced trapping



- droplet trapped by potential associated with Faraday wave field
- possible when bouncing period commensurate with Faraday period

Vary fluid, driving frequency

• qualitatively similar behavior: regions of meandering, chaos, trapping



20 cS, 80 Hz

50 cS, 50 Hz

Optical Talbot effect

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Hydrodynamic analog of particle trapping with the Talbot effect

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Faraday-Talbot effect: Alternating phase and circular arrays

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Optical Talbot effect

• plane wave of wavelength λ incident on an array of pillars with spacing d

• image of pillar grating repeated at regular distances, the Talbot length:

$$z_T(\lambda) = \frac{\lambda}{2\left(1 - \sqrt{1 - (\frac{\lambda}{d})^2}\right)}$$



THE FARADAY-TALBOT EFFECT LINEAR ARRAY: SELF-IMAGES

 $\gamma/\gamma_F = 1.007$





f = 80 Hz $d = 2\lambda_F = 9.5 \text{ mm}$

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 $\gamma/\gamma_F = 1.007$



Hydrodynamic Talbot effect

• observed just above the Faraday threshold:

$$\gamma/\gamma_F = 1.007$$

• sloshing ridges between pillars with spacing d generate images at the Faraday-Talbot length:





THE FARADAY-TALBOT EFFECT LINEAR ARRAY: SELF-IMAGES



f = 80 Hz $d = 2\lambda_F = 9.5 \text{ mm}$



where A_F is the wave amplitude, $r_n = \sqrt{y^2 + (x - (n - 1/2)d)^2}$, $\omega_F = \pi f$.

THE FARADAY-TALBOT EFFECT CIRCULAR ARRAYS



f = 80 Hz $d = 2\lambda_F$ R = 51.5 mm

Surface deflection:

$$u(x, y, t) = A_F \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \frac{\cos(k_F r_n - \omega_F t)}{\sqrt{k_F r_n}}$$

THE FARADAY-TALBOT EFFECT CIRCULAR ARRAYS

STABLE PATTERN - EXPERIMENT



f = 55 Hzd = 11 mm $\lambda_F = 6.40 \text{ mm}$ R = 59.5 mm

Talbot trapping

Large-scale optical traps on a chip for optical sorting

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S. W. Zhu and R. Liu Tianjin Union Medical Centre, Tianjin 300121, People's Republic of China Talbot effect can trap polymer particles in image planes



Array of trapped polymer particles (3.1 microns)



Faraday-Talbot trap for bouncers



Pair of bounters trapped between Talbot images Array of bouncers drifting to row of images.

Trapping of a fast walker above the Faraday threshold





- a hydrodynamic analog of particle trapping with the Talbot effect
- trapping accompanied by disruption of vertical dynamics: evidence of ponderomotive effects?

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Superradiant Droplet Emission from Parametrically Excited Cavities

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Quantum superradiance and subradiance



- the emission rate of photons from a pair of ions is enhanced or diminished relative to that of two isolated ions
- anomalous emission rate varies sinusoidally with distance between ions
- the mechanism responsible for the anomalous emission is unclear
- the phenomenon is often taken to be a manifestation of quantum entanglement



• consider droplet emission from a pair of deep regions (cavities) via interfacial fracture of a vibrating bath





- emission rate enhanced by presence of neighboring cavity, varies sinusoidally with distance between cavities
- superradiant droplet emission may be rationalized in terms of wave-mediated interactions between cavities
- the first HQA involving particle creation via interfacial fracture



Conclusions

Crossing the threshold

- allows for tuning of relative magnitudes of self-generated and ambient waves
- allows for a number of new droplet behaviors: meandering, zigzagging, trapping, Brownian motion
- allows for further hydrodynamic analogs of EM systems (e.g. Talbot trapping)

Questions raised

- is there a parameter regime in which the diffusion is anomalous, quantum-like?
- what new quantum/EM analogs might be achievable above threshold?
- how can we model such effects theoretically?

Closed' pilot-wave systems

• walker motion confined by either boundaries or applied force.

Requirement for quantum-like behavior:





TIME

TIME





Droplet tunneling

Eddi et al. (2009)

- probability of tunneling decreases with wall width and distance from threshold
- tunneling requires proximity to Faraday threshold, pronounced waves



FIG. 4 (color online). The recorded trajectories of the walker inside the square trap of side L = 55 mm. In (a) e = 4.5 mm and V = 9.95 mm/s. In (b) e = 2.5 mm and V = 9 mm/s. The probability of escape P is of the order of 1%. In (c) e = 2.5 mm and V = 11.8 mm/s. $P \simeq 10\%$. In (d) e = 2.5 mm and V = 13.2 mm/s. $P \simeq 30\%$.







- drop-wave-barrier interaction is chaotic, leading to lack of predictability
- tunneling probability decreases exponentially with barrier width, as in QM

Tunneling

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Predictability in a hydrodynamic pilot-wave system: Resolution of walker tunneling

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• robust probabilistic behavior as reported in previous studies



Question

- can resolution of the fast timescale render the theory deterministic?
- characterized the footprints of the walker

Tunneling



- tunneling is not rendered predictable through resolution of the fast timescale
- drop-wave-barrier interaction is chaotic, leading to lack of predictability